

INSTRICKEN HAMBURG

Scenes and Incidents in the City Where King Cholera Holds His Sway.

PROCESSION OF THE DEATH CARTS

Gorgeous Chariots of the Nabob Followed by the Humbler Hearse and Poverty Box.

MERELY AN EPISODE OF THE STREET

Watching a Stricken Workman's Case From the Window of a Breakfast Room.

SCENES OF AWFUL SQUALOR AND MISERY

Unimaginable Sufferings That Are Being Endured by the Helpless Poor of the Stricken City—Criminal Bandits of the Municipal Authorities.

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HAMBURG, Sept. 4.—(New York Herald Cable-Special to The Bee.)—Specially, as a special, undated guest cholera has disturbed the rush and bustle of this great city, in its awful thirst for pleasure, its goddess in delectable life. Thousands have already fled from Hamburg to avoid the pestilence. It is not exactly agreeable to stay here, but it gives one rare materials for the study of human nature. Let them only peek their heads out of a window for half an hour, and the nervous folk will feel quailish, while serious people will recognize how grave things have grown. One funeral procession after another rolls by our nose, which stands on a road leading to several cemeteries. Now it is a costly cortege with an imposing hearse, drawn by four horses; then appear the curiously clad Leichenbräuer, in knee breeches, buckled shoes, wide collars and barrettes; last the mourning coaches, mostly without a clergyman. After this brave show come much simpler hearse, flashing along at full speed to the grave yard. A fearful number of these vehicles are laden with the bodies of children. Then a heavy rumbling announces the approach of one of those abominable wooden boxes on wheels which fetch the poorer victims of the plague from their dwelling.

How the Living Fare. Pastor horses draw the cholera carriages on the way to the Eppendorf hospital. They are large, comfortable landaus, well padded. On the box sits a driver and the hospital attendant, while another overworked attendant stares blankly, pathetically, from inside the carriage at the crowd which the passage of these vehicles attracts, and who watch them fearfully, but curiously. Now and then some one tries to get a glimpse of their contents. An unconquerable fondness for tragedy, a strange longing to be terrified, doubtless explains the behavior of the woman who persist in gazing at scenes which later haunt their dreams. More of the unhappy patients are lying in the carriages, wrapped in thick blankets, their features pinched with pain. Some have their hands clasped as though in anguished prayer. Most heart-breaking is the sight of the poor parents who are not able to nurse their darlings, but are compelled to trust them to strangers. Helping hands, alas! are scarce, too scarce to allow all to be well cared for.

From every carriage comes the odor of carbolic acid. We seem to smell nothing else here. We get it in the water with which we wash our faces and rinse our mouths; the floors are washed with it, and clothes are soaked with it. We eat nothing but dry toasted bread with coffee. Butter, cheese and vegetables are shunned. An Episode of the Plague. On the breakfast table lies the Hamburger Nachrichten. We open it eagerly. There is an increase of deaths and new cases. There was no truth in the stories of the rapid decrease of the disease. A sudden noise disturbs me as I write this. In the street all is excitement. From my window I see at the corner a workman staggering like a drunken man. He seizes himself on the doorstep, almost doubled up, then falls to the ground. The kitchen maid among the bystanders bring him brandy on cholera drops quickly. The police arrive. The victim has grown icy cold. He must be helped at once. All the shawls and wraps that can be found are requisitioned. A cart arrives. The man is hustled into it, and the children have been standing close by throughout the episode. Such incidents are not uncommon in the streets of Hamburg.

Terrible Scenes in the City. Exaggerated rumors fill the air and keep the excitement at the fever point. The theaters and circus are closed, festivals are stopped and meetings postponed. All the people think of is whether they can get fresh supplies of disinfectants, whether the water is boiled and whether the food was sound. As for the working people, they drink a little brandy. With their own eyes they have seen their children picking up the cholera germs in the streets and taking them, while in the market places the police looked on unmoved while the children feasted themselves on the refuse of vegetables and unripe fruit which had been washed down with the water. On the whole, however, the police have done their duty nobly. Several have died from the effects of overwork. In the authorities who have muddled everything since the cholera was in Hamburg.

According to the Hamburger Nachrichten the cholera was in the city a fortnight before it was decided to make the fact public. The schools were not closed for days, for says the same journal, "had they been, the rate of exchange might have fallen, and our immensely wealthy municipal fathers might have been a trifle poorer."

To understand what social sins may mean, one should visit Sinfelstrasse and Steinstrasse. Walk into any house and you will be horrified by the unpeakable misery and incredible poverty of the lodgings. Thirty thousand people live in short Steinstrasse alone, and there are many other streets of the same kind in the city.

JACQUES ST. CLAIR.

PLAGE STRICKEN RUSSIA

Thursday's Enormous Death Toll—Reports for Different Places.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 4.—The statistics of the cholera epidemic in this country show that throughout the whole of Russia on Thursday there were 4,773 new cases reported and that 2,374 persons died.

During the last few days the number of registered new cases and deaths, which are chiefly confined to the people of the lower class, has increased.

Private dispatches received here report that twelve deaths from cholera have occurred in Riga and that the disease has made its appearance in Kiev, while, up to today, has been spared a visitation of the plague. Up to Saturday forty-seven new cases and eight deaths were reported in the government of Kiev.

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NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—The following will appear in the New York Herald tomorrow morning: I visited ex-Senator Thomas C. Platt at the Oriental hotel, Manhattan Beach, yesterday and invited him to talk on politics. He loves the brick sea breeze and he loves the ocean and its restorative power. He is a positive mind and active body and these things are in consonance with him.

He was sitting on the eastern piazza of the hotel as I approached and he greeted me, as he always greets newspaper men, most kindly. I told him that I wanted to print what he said in the Herald. He said that I might as well print what I pleased, but he would not expect me to publish anything, but finally he said: "All right; I suppose it is fair and proper that I should say something. I suspect I know the questions you have in mind to ask me, and so considering that perhaps it is suitable for me to say something, I shall talk frankly and clearly."

"You talked that way just before the Minneapolis convention," I ventured to remark. "Steadfast in His Republicanism."

"Well, yes, I did," the senator replied. "So I did. Nor have I anything to take back or anything to regret. I did then what I thought was my duty to the republicans of New York and the country. I am going to do what I think is my duty now. We live in a land where the majority rules, must rule and is going to rule every time. The majority did not agree with me at Minneapolis. I did my best to defeat the president, but he had more votes than the other candidates and that settled it. Now he is the nominee of the republican party. I am a republican. I was a republican in 1855. I have been a republican every hour of every day from then until this minute, never faltering in my support of republican principles and republican candidates, no matter whether the candidates were the best or the worst. I have been a republican since I was a boy, and I shall be a republican as long as I live."

Senator Platt paused a moment and during the pause I suggested that nevertheless he had been rather quiet since the Minneapolis convention, and perhaps a source of some solicitude among the president's friends.

Mr. Platt smiled and said: "The weather has been pretty hot you know," and then he said: "I have been very quiet, but I have not been quiet, though I shall not flatter myself with the idea that I have been a source of much solicitude. I would be a foolish kind of pretense for me to claim that I have been greatly disappointed by the result at Minneapolis. My friends and my enemies have been disappointed, and I fancy they are right. What I believe I believe, and as far as I am concerned, I believe in the republican party. I believe in the republican party, and I believe in the republican party."

Patent Under Uncalled For Abuse. "I do not get over such a disappointment as I had at Minneapolis in twenty-four hours, and I confess there has been in my mind a grave question whether it was my duty to continue in the republican party. I have usually put forth. Because a man keeps quiet under pitiless attacks, tends his shoulders to take it and smiles, and is chosen to be the president of the country, it does not follow that he has experienced agreeable sensations, nor that he is proud or pleased at what has been said. I do not know that there has been a state and perhaps in the whole country, which has been more roundly and indecently abused than the republican party. I have been a republican since I was a boy, and I shall be a republican as long as I live."

At the Delaware Breakwater. Federal Authorities Take Charge of the Station. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Sept. 4.—A special to the Press from Delaware Breakwater says for the first time in a number of years the national flag floated from the quarantine station today. It was a notification to all incoming vessels that the federal government had taken charge of the station. The station is situated on the Delaware coast, and it is the duty of the federal authorities to see that the station is kept in good order. The station is a small building, and it is situated on a rocky point. The station is a very important one, and it is the duty of the federal authorities to see that the station is kept in good order. The station is a very important one, and it is the duty of the federal authorities to see that the station is kept in good order.

Jenkins Adds His Certificate. To the document, comprising all these certificates, Dr. Jenkins added the following: "This is to certify that all were found well on inspection of the steamship La Bourgogne on her arrival."

Dr. Jenkins decided, in view of the rigid examination through which the La Bourgogne passed at both Havre and New York, that the vessel was in good sanitary condition, and that he would release the cabin passengers at the earliest possible moment, which, according to Mr. West, agent of the line will be tomorrow.

Dr. Jenkins, accompanied by Quarantine Commissioner Allen and Prof. Biggs, went to lower quarantine this morning and on his return it was learned that the cholera had claimed a number of victims on the infected steamers during the day. The startling fact was made public that three deaths had occurred on board the Normanna, two on the Moravia and one on the Rugs. All the bodies were taken to Swineburn Island and cremated. It was also ascertained that six cases had been sent to Swineburn Island today.

Terror Among Cabin Passengers. The commissioner describes the feeling prevailing among the passengers as being of a heart-rending character. There was some doubt among the passengers as to the presence of the dreaded disease on board the steamer, but the deaths and new cases which occurred today have brought terror to the bravest hearts on board of the infected vessels and all now fully recognize that the grim specter of cholera is really in their midst.

Mails from the Normanna, which were brought up to the postoffice late last night, have been distributed, and that for foreign points sent on its way. The post-office officials say the mail matter was thoroughly disinfected before being brought up to the city.